

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : Attn BOX ISSUE BRANCH
Shoji YUYAMA et al. : Docket No.2000_1479A
Serial No. 09/699,507 :
Filed October 31, 2000 :
MEDICATION PACKING APPARATUS



PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

In the Claims:

Kindly amend claims 4 and 7 as follows.

4.(Amended) The medicine packing apparatus as in Claim 1, wherein when a blank package belt is discriminated by the discriminating means, the distributing means distribute the blank package belt toward a discharge position

7. (Amended) The medicine packing apparatus as in Claim 5, wherein one of the arms of the gripping means has a press surface and wherein the moving means turns the gripping means so that the press portion presses the medicine package belt bound in the binding position to discharge it.

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